<u>World-renowned musicians and ensembles</u> <u>to star in LCSD's "Great Music 2025"</u> <u>from June to November (with photos)</u>

The "Great Music 2025", presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, returns this year with star-studded performances running from June to November. Renowned musicians and ensembles from all over the world will come to Hong Kong to perform an array of programmes, showcasing the city as an East-meets-West centre for international cultural exchange.

Details of the June and July programmes are as follows:

"Piano Recital by Mikhail Pletnev"

Date and time: June 17 (Tuesday), 8pm

Venue: Concert Hall, Hong Kong Cultural Centre

Ticket prices: \$320 to \$920

The legendary pianist Mikhail Pletnev returns to Hong Kong after a hiatus of 10 years. Universally recognised as one of the finest pianists of our time, Pletnev will be presenting a solo recital, delighting music fans with a curated selection of piano sonatas by Beethoven and short pieces from the "Lyric Pieces Book" by Grieg.

"Concert by the 12 Cellists of the Berliner Philharmoniker"

Date and time: July 9 (Wednesday), 8pm

Venue: Concert Hall, Hong Kong Cultural Centre

Ticket prices: \$350 to \$1,150

The 12 Cellists of the Berliner Philharmoniker will make their first appearance in Hong Kong. This unique ensemble is as renowned for their versatility as for their musical mastery. In this concert, they will perform a diverse repertoire ranging from classical, tango, jazz and spiritual to French chansons and film scores, shining a new light on the classics with an incredible sense of musical unity.

Tickets for "Piano Recital by Mikhail Pletnev" and "Concert by the 12 Cellists of the Berliner Philharmoniker" will be available from April 3 (Thursday) onwards at URBTIX (www.urbtix.hk). For telephone bookings, please call 3166 1288. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2268 7321 or visit

www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/music/groups 1840.html.

In addition to the above-mentioned programmes, the "Great Music 2025" will feature more notable programmes from September to November, namely the "Piano Recital by Nikolai Lugansky" on September 14 at Hong Kong City Hall,

"Orchestra dell'Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia — Roma" concert on November 20 and 21 at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, as well as the "Duo Recital by Mischa Maisky (Cello) and Lily Maisky (Piano)" on November 22 at Hong Kong City Hall. Programme details and booking schedules will be announced later. Music fans should stay tuned.









